

| S No | State/Union Territory | No. of News Units |
|------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| 1    | 2                     | 3                 |
| 22   | Tamil Nadu            | 2                 |
| 23   | Tripura               | 1                 |
| 24   | Uttar Pradesh         | 2                 |
| 25   | West Bengal           | 2                 |

### Regional Water Grid

5307 SHRIDHARMA BHIKSHAM Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state

(a) whether the Union Government propose to set up regional water grids in the country, and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA) (a) and (b) A National perspective for Water Resources Development prepared by the Government envisages inter linkages between the major rivers of the Peninsular region and between the Himalayan rivers separately for transfer of water from surplus to water short areas. The National Water Development Agency under the Ministry of Water Resources has taken up studies for the Peninsular river component of the National perspective plan for water resources development.

### Development of Tourist Spots in Orissa

5308 SHRI MRUTYUNJAYA NAYAK Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state

(a) whether the Union Government have received any proposal from the Government of Orissa for the development of Hanshankar (Bolangir) and Chakapadu (Phulbani), the two important tourist spots, and

(b) if so, the action taken by the Union Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A project proposal for the construction of a Tourist Complex at Hanshankar received from the State Government has been sanctioned. However, no proposal has been received from the State Government for development of tourism at Chakapadu.

### Air Stations in Orissa

5309 SHRI MRUTYUNJAYA NAYAK Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state

(a) the number of AIR Stations sanctioned for Orissa during the Seventh Plan period,

(b) by when AIR Station at Bolangir and Bhawanipatna in Orissa would commence operation,